

Step up to AQA A-Level Geography

This is a menu of tasks to help you get ready to study Geography at A-Level. Try to choose a 'balanced diet' of activities each week to ensure variety in your learning. Keep your completed work organised in a folder so that you can submit your transition work during your first Geography lesson.



Short Video Clips (less than 10 minutes)

Each of these clips offers context for the course. Write down any key details they reveal or inferences you can make from them. List questions the clips raise that you would like to understand more about (aim for 3)?

Exam Question Structure

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?vO55GPDEE9w>



The Concept of Place

[The Concept of Place | A-level Geography | AQA, OCR, Edexcel - YouTube](#)



The Water Cycle

[Water & Carbon Cycles | AQA A-Level Geography Live Revision for 2024 - YouTube](#)



Longer Video Clips, Films or Documentaries

These videos will get you thinking even more about Geography issues. Select one video, record the key points of context or information that you found significant, alongside 5 subsequent questions that the video has spawned.

District 9 (2009 Film)



8 Billion and Counting

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpvYBrnBXY>



Is Earth overpopulated?

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XzoBE8eE81w>



Programmes and Podcasts

There is a huge array of geographical radio programmes and podcasts available. If you do not have a podcast app, or cannot sign in to BBC Sounds, this would be your first thing to remedy. Below are a few stretching and informative programmes for you to enjoy. Make notes on ½ page of A4 about what you have learnt about the topic of each programme and which opinions you agree with and why.

TED Talks Daily

<https://ted.com/talks>



BBC Discovery

<https://bbc.co.uk/programmes/p002w557/episodes/downloads>



From Our Own Correspondent

[BBC Radio 4 - From Our Own Correspondent](#)



Questions to Consider

The questions below are designed to get you thinking more broadly about some of the underlying issues within the course we study in Year 12. Choose a question and try discussing it with somebody else. Then write 500 words exploring different possible responses and explaining your own opinions.

"The Human Geography is shaped by the Physical Geography"

"Malthusian Theory is correct and population growth is not sustainable."

"Eustatic changes will be irreversible."





Debate

Task: Read the linked page regarding gentrification and complete the activities below.

<https://www.vox.com/22629826/gentrification-definition-housing-racism-segregation-cities>



Summarise gentrification and the impacts:

Why is gentrification so controversial?

What positives does it create?

What areas suffer the most from gentrification?



Books and Other Longer Reads

These books are excellent introductions to the themes we study in Geography. They are available to buy and download as e-books, some of them are free!

Prisoner of Geography
Tim Marshall

The Power of Geography
Tim Marshall

The Revenge of Geography
Robert D Kaplan

